

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application No: 199840159

Applicant: Federal Highway Administration

Waterway: Beartooth Creek Issue Date: October 12, 2003

Expiration Date: October 27, 1003

15 DAY NOTICE

Wyoming Regulatory Office

2232 Dell Range Blvd., Suite 210

Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009

The application of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), 555 Zang Street, Room 259, Lakewood, Colorado, 80228, is being considered by the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha, Nebraska, for approval of plans and issuance of a permit under the authority of the Secretary of the Army.

The applicant is proposing to discharge dredge and fill material into 4.8 acres of emergent and scrub-shrub wetlands, 0.1 acres of lake open water, and 1,991 lineal feet of streams associated with the reconstruction of a portion of the Beartooth Highway (US 212 and Wyoming Forest Highway 4). The basic project purpose is road reconstruction. There are three components to the overall project purpose. These include: providing an efficient transportation link from the Wyoming-Montana to Clay Butte Overlook that safely accommodates projected traffic levels through 2025; providing a roadway that can reasonably be maintained in a sustainable manner; and, supporting the Shoshone National Forest's (SNF) management of Forest lands adjacent to the road.

The Corps issued a 30-day public notice for this project September 12, 2003 with an expiration date of October 12, 2003. It has been requested that the comment period be extended. The Corps is extending the comment period for an additional 15 days until October 27, 2003.

All replies to the public notice should be addressed to Chandler Peter, Wyoming Regulatory Office, 2232 Dell Range Blvd., Suite 210, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82009. He may be contacted at (307) 772-2300 for additional information.

Comments received after the close of business on the expiration date of this public notice will not be considered.